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Art Unit : 2133

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.  
 The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
 This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

| (1)                | (2)<br>Claims remaining<br>after amendment | (3)   | (4)<br>Highest number<br>previously<br>paid for | (5)<br>Present extra | (6)<br>Rate | (7)<br>Additional<br>fee |
|--------------------|--|-------|---|----------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Total claims       | 26   | Minus | 48 =  | 0 ×                  | \$50(25)    | = \$0                    |
| Independent claims | 2  | Minus | 3 =   | 0 ×                  | \$200(100)  | = \$0                    |
|                    |  |       | Total additional fee for<br>this amendment      |                      |             | = \$0                    |

- \* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.  
\*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.  
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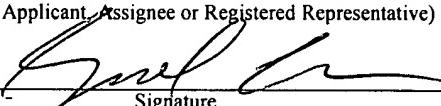
- This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$360 (\$180) has been previously paid , or is paid herewith .
- This response is being filed within the \_\_\_\_\_ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor.  
This is a petition to request a -month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- A USPTO Form 2038 – Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.00 is attached, which covers the cost of  
 additional claims and  -month petition for extension of time.
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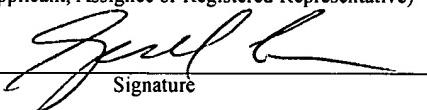
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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 26, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11.